(b) The district-wise installation of wind power projects is given below:

District	Capacity (MW)
Jamnagar	85.00
Rajkot	65.00

(c) Central fiscal incentives such as 100% accelerated depreciation, tax holiday, soft loans, exemption/ concessional custom duties, excise duties and sales tax are available for setting up commercial projects. The State Policy for renewable energy projects has expired on 31st March, 1998.

Solar Thermal Power Plant at Mathania

1744. SHRIMATI VEENA VERMA: Will the PRIME MINISTER be pleased to state:

(a) whether one of the largest Solar Thermal Power Plant, and the first in the country, has been inaugurated for being set up in Rajasthan at Mathania near Jodhpur;

(b) whether the project is to be partly funded to the extent of $ 49 million by the Global Environment Facility (GEF); and

(c) if so, the details of the project including its cost, capacity and fuel-requirements?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF RAILWAYS, PARLIAMENTARY AFFAIRS AND PLANNING AND PROGRAMME IMPLEMENTATION (SHRI RAM NAIK): (a) No, Sir.

(b) and (c) A 140 MW Integrated Solar Combined Cycle (ISCC) Power Project, including a 35 MW Solar Thermal Power Plant is planned to be set up at village Mathania near Jodhpur in Rajasthan. The total estimated cost of the project is US $ 280 million. It will be partly funded through a grant assistance of US $49 million from Global Environment Facility. About 166—181 kilo tonnes of liquid fuel would be required for the combined cycle mode of operation of the base load power plant.

Funds to NGOs under GEF

1745. SHRI GOVINDRAO ADIK: Will the PRIME MINISTER be pleased to state:

(a) whether funds have been made available to the NGOs under the Global Environmental Facility (GEF) to undertake some projects during the last five years;

(b) if so, the details thereof alongwith the progress made in implementation of the projects;

(c) whether fresh proposals are made to the GEF for providing financial support particularly for solar energy photovoltaic market transfer matter, alternate energy improving, energy efficiency and so on; and

(d) whether Government have finalised the action plan for 1998-99 corresponding to the overall strategy for the country?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF RAILWAYS, PARLIAMENTARY AFFAIRS AND PLANNING AND PROGRAMME IMPLEMENTATION (SHRI RAM NAIK): (a) to (d) The information is being collected and will be laid on the Table of the House.

Appointment of Area Welfare Officers

1746. SHRI SURYABHAN PATIL VAHADANE: Will the PRIME MINISTER be pleased to state:

(a) the names of Area Welfare Officers appointed by Chief Welfare Officer, Lok Nayak Bhawan, New Delhi for 1997 and 1998;

(b) the names of such Area Welfare Officers, who suffered from heart-ailments during 1995 and 1996 and have been appointed for 1997 and 1998;

(c) the reasons that such post of public dealing involving strenuous job being

given to those, who are suffering from heart-ailments and advised by the doctors not to use the stairs; and

(d) what action Government propose to take in the matter so that no persons with heart-ailments be appointed as Area Welfare Officer of any colony?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF PERSONNEL, PUBLIC GRIEVANCES AND PENSIONS AND THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF FINANCE (BANKING, REVENUE AND INSURANCE) (SHRI R. JANARTHANAM): (a) A list of Area Welfare officers appointed by this Department for the calendar years 1997 and 1998 is enclosed Statement (*see* below).

(b) No information about Area Welfare Officers, if any suffering from heart ailments etc. is maintained.

(c) and (d) Area Welfare Officers are appointed from out of the applicants willing to work as such, on honorary and voluntary basis. The functions/duties of Area Welfare Officers are considered to be not so strenuous as may necessitate medical check-up before appointment.

Statement

List of Area Welfare Officers in Delhi/New Delhi for the Calendar year 1997 and 1998

S. No.	Name of the Officer	Name of the area(s)
1.	Shri N. S. Randhawa	Andrews Ganj/Andrews Ganj Ext.
2.	Shri Roop Chand	Alipur Block
3.	Shri R. K. Suri	Ashok Nagar/Tilak Nagar/and Ajay Enclave
4.	Shri R. K. Misra	Aram Bagh/Chitragupta Road/Pahar Ganj
5.	Shri V. K. S. Sawant	DIZ Area/Sec. IV/Hanuman Road
6.	Dr. Jai Prakash	DIZ Area (Sec. II)/North Avenue/K. B. Marg/President Estate
7.	Shri Shaukat Ali	DIZ Area, Sec-I/P. K. Road
8.	Shri I. D. Solanki	Mandir Marg
9.	DR. H. C. Arora	Ashok vihar
10.	Shri Ram Sahai	Dev Nagar/Karol Bagh
11.	Shri V. K. Kapoor	Janak Puri/Shiv Nagar
12.	Shri K. S. Sachdeva	Krishna Nagar/Trans-Yamuna
13.	Shri S. K. Sinha	Kalkaji, Greater Kailash-II, Chitranjan Park
14.	Shri D. P. Roy	Kidwai Nagar, (East/West)
15.	Shri J. P. Sharma	Karkar Dooma
16.	Shri S. R. Abrol	Kalkaji DDA Flats/Alaknanda
17.	Shri R. C. Richhariya Retd-Director (C)	Keshav Puram/Lawrence Road

S. No	Name of the Officer	Name of the area(s)
18.	Shri D. C. Bhatt	Lodi Road Complex/P. V. Hostel
19.	Smt. Dr. Parvinder Kaur	Lodi Colony (Whole)/Ali Ganj
20.	Shri A. K. Jain	Sewa Nagar/Kasturba Nagar/Kotla Mubarakpur
21.	Shri A. K. Sachdev	Lajpat Nagar/Jungpura
22.	Shri R. Rangaraj	Laxmibai Nagar
23.	Shri Yogesh Raizada	Laxmi Nagar
24.	Shri Ranjit Singh	Model Town/Tagore Park/Mukherjee Ngr./Azadpur/Kingsway Camp
25.	Shri N. Goyal	Press Enclave/Saket
25A.	Shri S. C. Bagga	Malviya Nagar
26.	Shri P. P. Neogi	Mahavir Enclave
27.	Shri K. S. Gopal Krishnan	Mayur Vihar, Phase-I.
28.	Shri V. K. Bhatnagar	Moti Bagh-I/N. W. Moti Bagh
29.	Shri D. R. Kalra	Nanakpura (South Moti Bagh).
30.	Shri S. S. Panwar	Netaji Nagar, Sec-XIII-R. K. Puram
31.	Shri R. N. Bansal	Nauroji Nagar
32.	Shri Munna Lal	Pushap Vihar (Sector III & V)
33.	Shri K.C. Chhaunkar	Pushap Vihar (Sector-I)
34.	Shri D. C. Mewati	Pushap Vihar Sector IV and VII
35.	Shri K.N. Pandey	Kaka Nagar/Bapa Nagar
36.	Shri Ashok Lakhanpal	Pandara Road/Shahjahan Road
37.	Shri U. S. Tiwari	C.R. Appts/Asia House/Jaipur House
38.	Shri V. K. Ahuja	Paschim Vihar
39.	Shri R. K. Garg	Palam Colony/Delhi Cantt.
40.	Shri V. K. Aggarwal	Prashant Vihar
41.	Shri P. P. Bhardwaj	R. K. Puram Sec. I and IV/Mohd Pur Govt. Colony
42.	Shri Manohar Lal	R.K. Puram, Sec. II, III and Safdarjung Enclave
43.	Shri R. K. Sharma	R.K. Puram Sec. V/Vasant Vihar/ Munirka
44.	Shri I. S. Pathania	R.K. Puram (Sector-VII and IX)
45.	Shri D.P. Goyal	R. K. Puram Sector VIII and XII
46.	Smt. Jatinder Kaur	Rajouri Garden
47.	Shri K.L. Mehta	Rohini Sector (Sector-IX onwards)

S. No.	Name of the Officer	Name of the area(s)
48.	Shri Prem Kumar	Rohini Sector 1—8.
49.	Shri Raghwandra Kumar	Sriniwaspuri/Nehru Nagar
50.	Shri L.C. Tewahi	Sunder Vihar
51.	Shri S. P. Nautiyal	Sadiq Nagar (Sector 1 and 2).
52.	Shri C. L. Sharma	Sadiq Nagar (Sec-3) & Dakashan Dweep
53.	Shri B. N. Tripathi	Sarojini Nagar-I.
54.	Shri S. K. Nagpal	Sarojini Nagar, III
55.	Shri D. P. Singh	Sarojini Nagar, II
56.	Shri Satish Kumar Gupta	Tri Nagar.
57.	Shri Mukesh Singhal	Vivek Vihar/Bhajanpura/Shahadara
58.	Shri R. K. Gupta	Vikas Puri
59.	Shri Puran Pratap	Yamuna Vihar/Maujpur/Dilshad Garden
60.	Shri H. R. Meena	Moti Nagar
61.	Shri R. R. Singhvi	Hari Nagar
62.	Miss Anna Roy	Darya Ganj
63.	Shri B. K. S. Chauhan	Minto Road
64.	Shri Ram Gopal Sahu	Pitam Pura
65.	Shri K. C. Srivastava	Timarpur/Probyn Road
	List of Area Welfare Officers Outside Delhi for the Calender Years 1997 and 1998	
66.	Shri Shyam Narayan	Aliganj, Lucknow
67.	Shri B. Jagan Mohan Rao	Begumpet (Hyderabad)
68.	Shri Sat Narayan Rathi	Bahadurgarh (Haryana)
69.	Shri P. K. Bisi	Civil Lines Nagpur
70.	Dr. D. N. Singh	Gangtok, Sikkim
71.	Shri M. L. Goyal	Gurgaon (Haryana) Area beyond old Railway Road and Sona Road i.e. Sector-4, 10 and 7, Housing Board Colony Extension and new Colony Shivaji Nagar, Arjun Nagar, Hira Ngr., Om Nagar, etc.
72.	Shri S. K. Bansal	Gurgaon (Haryana) Area falling before old Railway Road and Sona Road, Sec. 14, 15, 17 Rajiv Nagar, Patel Nagar, Roshan Pura, Jacob Pura, Subash Nagar, Civil Lines, Bhim Nagar etc.
73.	Shri Malleswar Rao	GPRA Campus, Hyderabad.

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S. No.	Name of the Officer	Name of the area(s)
74.	Shri T. N. Shrirangaswami	Bhubneswar (Orissa)
75.	Shri V. K. Sharma	Kamla Nehru Nagar, Ghaziabad.
76.	Shri M. S. Jana	Katol Road Colony, Nagpur
77.	Shri M. K. Verma	Karnal (Haryana)
78.	Shri P. V. Shankar	Kanel Ngr., Antop Hills, Mumbai
79.	Shri J. Kannan	Chennai, Madras
80.	Shri J. M. Singh	Malad, Mumbai
81.	Shri Chandan Sinha	Mussoorie (U.P.)
82.	Shri K. N. Mishra	Noida (U.P.)
83.	Shri H. P. Solonki	Ranchi (Bihar)
84.	Dr. M. A. Rao	Seminary Hills, Nagpur
85.	Shri G. Venkataya Narayana	Airport Qrs. M/o Industry, Begumpet (KVIV), Hyderabad.
86.	Dr. A. N. Singh	Area falling under Dis. No. 1 and 2, Jabalpur.
87.	Dr. B. M. Jha	Faridabad (NH. IV)

सूचना के अधिकार का क्रियान्वयन

1747. **श्री दिलीप सिंह जूदेव:** क्या प्रधान मंत्री 24 जुलाई, 1997 को राज्य सभा में तारांकित प्रश्न 35 के दिए गए उत्तर को देखेंगे और यह बताने की कृपा करेंगे कि:

(क) केन्द्र सरकार में किन-किन विभागों में तथा किस तारीख से "सूचना का अधिकार" लागू कर दिया गया है;

(ख) ये अनुदेश कब जारी किए गए;

(ग) इन अनुदेशों के पालन के लिए किन-किन मंत्रालयों में सुविधाएं प्रदान की गई हैं तथा काउन्टर खोले गए हैं; और

(घ) 1.10.97 से 31.5.98 तक विभाग-वार कितनी-कितनी सूचनाएं दी गई तथा कितनी सूचनाएं देने से इंकार कर दिया गया?

कार्मिक, लोक शिकायत तथा पेंशन मंत्रालय में राज्य मंत्री तथा वित्त बैंकिंग, राजस्व और बीमा मंत्रालय में राज्य मंत्री (श्री आर० जनार्दन): (क) से (घ) जनवरी, 1997 में, सरकार ने "सूचना का अधिकार तथा खुली एवं पारदर्शी सरकार को बढ़ावा देने" के बारे में श्री एच० डी० शौरी की अध्यक्षता में एक कार्यदल गठित किया था। इस कार्यदल ने अन्य बातों के साथ-साथ, संसद द्वारा "सूचना का स्वातंत्र्य अधिनियम" को अधिनियमित किए जाने की सिफारिश करते हुए अपनी रिपोर्ट मई 21, 1997 को सरकार को प्रस्तुत कर दी। उपर्युक्त कार्यदल की सिफारिश पर विचार प्रगत अवस्था में चल रहा है इसके साथ-साथ ही मौजूदा सांविधिक/प्रशासनिक ढांचे में भी प्रशासन को और अधिक खुला और पारदर्शी बनाए जाने के संबंध में कदम उठाए जा रहे हैं। तदनुसार, सभी मंत्रालयों/विभागों को इस संबंध में आवश्यक अनुदेश जारी कर दिए गए हैं। दिल्ली में जनता के व्यापक और सीधे संस्पर्श में रहने वाले मंत्रालयों/विभागों से भी सूचना-सुविधा-काउंटर स्थापित करने के लिए कहा गया है। मंत्रालयों/विभागों में स्थापित किए गए काउंटरों की सूची विवरण के रूप में संलग्न है। **(नीचे देखिये)** सूचना सुलभ करवाए जाने के ऐसे अनुरोधों की संख्या के बारे में जानकारी, इस मंत्रालय द्वारा केन्द्रीकृत रूप से नहीं रखी जाती जिनमें इन काउंटरों द्वारा सूचना दे दी गई थी/सूचना देने से इंकार कर दिया गया था।